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Providence woman is charged with selling fake immigration & Social Security cards

Immigration agents yesterday arrested **Julia Pensoy-Calel**, 41, of Providence, on a federal complaint alleging that she sold counterfeit immigration and Social Security identification cards.

United States Attorney Robert Clark Corrente and Matthew Etre, Acting Resident Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), jointly announced the complaint, which was unsealed today in U.S. District Court, Providence.

According to an affidavit supporting the complaint, on three occasions between December and March, Pensoy-Calel sold counterfeit Resident Alien cards, also known as green cards, and fake Social Security account cards for \$125 a set. Photographs that the buyer had given her had been inserted into the fake green cards. ICE agents monitored conversations involved in the sales.

Yesterday, a team of federal agents and police officers executed a search warrant at Pensoy-Calel's house on Newark Avenue and arrested her.

Pensoy-Calel appeared today in U.S. District Court before Magistrate Judge David L. Martin, who set surety bond at \$5,000. The charge, transferring false identification documents for illegal use, is a felony and therefore subject to review by a federal grand jury.

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The Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement is investigating the case, with assistance from the Social Security Administration Office of Inspector General and Providence Police. Assistant U.S. Attorney Richard W. Rose is prosecuting it.

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